The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all 50 states in the United States.

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than \$17,104,000 in grants in Illinois.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Illinois added 3.7% or \$30.3 billion to the state's economy.
- Illinois's arts and cultural industries employed 224,100 workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over \$15.2 billion.
- 62.3% of Illinois's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while 23.5% attended art exhibits.

National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY17-FY19







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₫ BIG READ





Blue Star Museums program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at 223 participating museums in Illinois.

Poetry Out Loud program provided opportunities for over 27,547 students attending 136 high schools in Illinois to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.

The **NEA Big Read** program generated **570** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than 28,730 adults and students in Illinois.

Shakespeare in American Communities program in Illinois enabled schools to offer children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.

Creative Forces program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers.

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Projects Funded by the Arts Endowment either Directly or Through its State Arts Agency Partnership Funds Occurred in These and Other Locations

IL-01

Amos Alonzo Stagg Elementary School Blackstone Branch Library Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts

IL-06

Barrington High School Museum Main Street Recreational Center Wheaton Public Library Frogg Mountain Studio

IL-11

Aurora University Dong Fang Chinese Performing Arts Association Paramount Arts Centre

IL-16

Artists Ensemble Theater Country Theatre Workshop Soldiers and Sailors Park

IL-02

Francis Loudin Miller Historic Building Kankakee Public Library Museum St. Philip Neri Roman Catholic Church

IL-07

American Writers Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University

IL-12

Cedarhurst Center for the Arts Hettenhausen Center for the Arts McKendree University

IL-17

Butterworth Center Cullom-Davis Library Rock Island Center for Math & Science

IL-03

Beverly Arts Center Chicago Maritime McKinley Park Public Library

IL-08

Addison Center For The Arts Artreach Educational Theatre Villa Park Public Library Worship

IL-13

Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts Illinois Capitol Building Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center

IL-18

Eastlight Theatre Jacksonville Public Library United Media Resource Center

IL-04

Armitage Baptist Church Back of The Yards Library Mexican Art

IL-09

American Toby Jug Magnet School Museum Bahá'í House of Loyola University Piper Hall

IL-14

Currier Elementary School Huntley Community Library Radio Steel Beam Theatre Company

IL-05

Aloha Center Chicago Constellation Jazz Club National Museum of Music Box Theatre

IL-10

Andrew Cooke Chicago Botanic Gardens Waukegan Public Library

IL-15

Bicentennial Art Center & Museum Effingham Public Salem Theatre

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